



Racing Safety Rules & Regulations

1. Race Committee:

The Race Committee must at all times and occasions consist of the following persons:

- (i) Three people on-board the Holdham
- (ii) Two people on-board each of two Crash Boats
- (iii) Each craft to carry one (1) able-bodied person in addition to a person who is PCOC qualified.

The three people on the Holdham will consist of the Race Committee Chairperson who must be PCOC qualified and knowledgeable of the racing rules and regulations as determined best to be used for LDSC. The other two people should be knowledgeable of the racing rules racing and regulations as determined best to be used for LDSC and preferably also be PCOC qualified.

The two people on each of the two Crash Boats must be knowledgeable of boat operation, suitably trained in personnel rescue procedures and at least one person must be PCOC qualified.

The two people on each of the two Crash Boats must be competent swimmers, wearing appropriate clothing and have sufficient physical strength to carry out a rescue of a racer from the water into the Crash Boat.

2. Race Committee Boats:

For the race to commence, there must be three active safety/committee boats in operation and involved in the racing event. This will consist of the Holdham and the two Crash Boats.

Each boat must also be fully equipped with the following equipment:

- (i) Two spare lifejackets or PFDs
- (ii) Safety flares
- (iii) Safety whistle
- (iv) Towing line
- (v) Anchor
- (vi) River chart
- (vii) Marine flashlight
- (viii) Suitably audible marine radio
- (ix) Sufficient fuel

Each boat must be inspected and passed by the Race Committee Chairperson as being in a seaworthy condition.

3. Obligation of the Race Committee Chairperson:

On Race day, it is the duty and obligation of the Race Committee Chairperson to ensure that these Rules & Regulations are followed.

If ANY of the above mandatory requirements are not met in full, he/she shall see that any deficiencies are rectified. In the event that said deficiencies cannot be rectified,

the RC Chair will announce that the race has been cancelled and state the reasons for his/her decision.

4. Race Competitors:

Each race competitor is individually responsible for wearing a personal flotation device, will be competent in the handling of their craft and ensure their craft is fully seaworthy.

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